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## STATEMENT OF

ASHANTI WRIGHTTaken 28 MAY 2000 At 0610At 4653 W ERIE, CHGOPresent: ASA LOAFBLAD, JDET CRUZ #20887DET WOLVERTON #20014

This statement taken regarding the ROBBERY AND SHOOTING DEATH  
 of MARLEY MATDAK which occurred on 13 MAY 2000  
 at 0100/0114 at 4721 W OHIO, CHGO

I understand I have the right to remain silent and that anything I say can be used against me in a court of law. I understand that I have the right to talk to a lawyer and have him present with me during questioning, and if I cannot afford to hire a lawyer one will be appointed by the court to represent me before any questioning. Understanding these rights, I wish to give a statement.

AFTER BEING ADVISED THAT ASSISTANT  
STATE'S ATTORNEY JOANNA LOAFBLAD IS A  
LAWYER AND A PROSECUTOR, BUT NOT JOVANIE  
LONG OR MAURICK WRIGHT'S ATTORNEY  
ASHANTI WRIGHT MAKE THE FOLLOWING  
STATEMENT WHICH IS A SUMMARY BUT NOT  
WORD FOR WORD.

ASHANTI STATES SHE IS 20 YEARS OLD,  
ASHANTI STATES SHE WENT UP TO ELEVENTH  
GRADE AT WESTINGHOUSE HIGH SCHOOL IN  
CHICAGO. ASHANTI STATES SHE HAS 3 CHILDREN  
AGED 5, 4 AND 3. ASHANTI STATES THEY ARE ALL  
BOYS. ASHANTI STATES SHE LIVES AT 4653 W.  
ERIE WITH HER GOD MOTHER, MAURICE WRIGHT  
AND HER GOD MOTHER'S CHILDREN. ASHANTI STATES

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HER GODMOTHER'S NAME IS MARY CURRY.

ASHANTI STATES ON MAY 13, 2000 SHE WAS HOME WITH MARY AND ASHANTI'S SISTER JAMARA WRIGHT AND MARY'S CHILDREN. ASHANTI STATES THEY WERE PLAYING CARDS WHEN THEY HEARD GUN SHOTS. ASHANTI STATES THE SHOT SOUNDED LIKE IT WAS CLOSE BY, SO THEY WENT DOWN TO THE BASEMENT TO CHECK ON TIMMY, JOVANIE LONG'S YOUNGER BROTHER. ASHANTI STATES TIMMY WASN'T DOWN THERE AND NEITHER WAS ANYONE ELSE. ASHANTI STATES THEY ALL WENT BACK UPSTAIRS, BUT HEARD NOISES IN THE BASEMENT 5-10 MINUTES LATER. ASHANTI STATES THEY WENT DOWN AGAIN AND SAW JOVANIE WHO THEY ALSO CALL VANI. ASHANTI STATES VANI DIDN'T HAVE A SHIRT ON AND WAS IN THE BATHROOM. ASHANTI STATES THAT VANI LOOKED NERVOUS. ASHANTI STATES VANI THEN WENT UPSTAIRS A SHORT TIME AFTER THEY DID. ASHANTI STATES THE PERSON IN EXHIBIT 1 IS JOVANIE "VANI" LONG. ASHANTI STATES VANI SAID HE DIDN'T HEAR GUNSHOTS BECAUSE HE'D BEEN SLEEPING IN THE BASEMENT. ASHANTI STATES SHE KNOW THAT WASN'T TRUE, BUT LEFT IT ALONE. ASHANTI STATES VANI PUT ON ANOTHER SHIRT AND TOLD ASHANTI AND JAMARA TO GO TO THE SUB PLACE WITH HIM TO BUY LOOSE CIGARETTES. ASHANTI STATES ON THEIR WAY BACK HOME, THEY SAW THE POLICE AND WALKED DOWN THE STREET PAST WHERE THE BODY WAS AND THE VAN WITH THE HAZARD LIGHTS STILL FLASHING. ASHANTI STATES

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MARY, WHO THEY ALSO CALL "MAMA," WHAT VANI SAID ABOUT ROBBING AND SHOOTING THE WHITE GUY. ASHANTI STATES ~~SHE CAME BACK LATER THAT DAY~~ <sup>and then</sup> VANI FOUND OUT ASHANTI TOLD AND TOLD ASHANTI SHE WAS "BOGUS" FOR TELLING MAMA. ASHANTI STATES SHE LEFT WITH JAMAICA SOON AFTER THAT. ASHANTI STATES VANI CALLED THE HOUSE TODAY AND TOLD HER HE HEARD THAT MAURICE WHO THEY CALL "BOO-BOO" WAS "TRICKIN'" ON HIM, REFERRING TO MAURICE BEING AT THE POLICE STATION TALKING TO POLICE.

ASHANTI STATES SHE'S BEEN TREATED WELL BY THE POLICE AND ASSISTANT STATE'S ATTORNEY JOANNA LEAFBLAD. ASHANTI STATES SHE HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO SMOKE WHEN SHE WANTED AND THAT SHE WAS ~~ALLOWED~~ <sup>and then</sup> INTERVIEWED AT HOME IN HER OWN DINING ROOM. ASHANTI STATES NO THREATS OR PROMISES WERE MADE IN EXCHANGE FOR THIS STATEMENT. ASHANTI STATES SHE IS NOT UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF DRUGS OR ALCOHOL AND GIVES THIS STATEMENT ~~TRULY~~ <sup>and then</sup> FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY. ~~Asst. Joanna Leafblad, Ashanti Wright Det. Dan Woferton #20014~~

ASHANTI STATES SHE SPEAKS, READS AND WRITE ENGLISH AND DEMONSTRATES THIS ABILITY BY READING THE FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THIS STATEMENT OUT LOUD. ASHANTI STATES SHE MADE CORRECTIONS AS NEEDED. ~~Asst. Joanna Leafblad, Ashanti Wright Det. Dan Woferton #20014~~

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